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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

A response to the Office Action dated January 29, 2003, Paper No. 6 (hereinafter, the "Office Action"), is filed herewith. In the Office Action, the Examiner's previously issued requirement for restriction was deemed proper and made final. In accordance with the restriction requirement being made final, Claims 32 and 46-49 were withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being directed to a non-elected invention. In addition, claims 31 and 45 were rejected for allegedly failing to meet the requirements for patentability under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first and second paragraphs. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested in light of the following amendment and remarks. This response and amendment is timely filed along with a petition for a three-month extension of time and the appropriate fee.

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